

Written submission from Orkney Islands Council

- 1. Does your authority have arrangements in place to hold some or all local authority assets in a separate land holding?**

No, this is not done by Orkney Islands Council.

- 2. When disposing of, or transferring assets how are those assets valued. To what degree is this purely a financial valuation?**

Assets are valued on the Market Value. If there is a decision to dispose of an asset under the Market Value this is taken by the Council rather than officers.

- 3. What is the attitude of the authority to the disposal of assets? Does your authority have a policy to encourage the disposal of assets to community groups?**

At the moment we have no policy to encourage the disposal of assets to community groups. In Orkney, the Council has a lengthy history of agreeing leases for properties below market value for registered charities including community groups.

- 4. What is your experience of disposal and what difficulties has the authority encountered?**

The Council has no experience of actual disposal as indicated in the preceding response.